

D&CP – AMBASSADOR’S FUND FOR CULTURAL PRESERVATION

Resource Summary

(\$ in thousands)

Appropriations	FY 2008 Actual	FY 2009 Estimate	FY 2010 Request	Increase / Decrease
Funds	4,960	5,500	2,000	(3,500)

Mission

The U.S. Ambassador's Fund for Cultural Preservation, funded through the Diplomatic and Consular Program appropriation, was established in FY 2001. The Ambassador's Fund for Cultural Preservation provides direct small grant support to heritage preservation in developing countries, demonstrating U.S. respect for other cultures.

The Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs administers the program awarding grants managed by U.S. Embassies in eligible countries. Grants have ranged from \$5,000 to \$978,705. To date, the Ambassadors Fund for Cultural Preservation has supported more than 500 projects worldwide, totaling \$11.5 million. Funded projects include technical support for the preservation of historic buildings and sites, museum collections and forms of traditional cultural expression.

Priorities

In FY 2008, U.S. Ambassadors in 94 of the 132 eligible countries in the developing world responded to the call for proposals of projects supporting cultural preservation. A total of \$4,731,431 was distributed in awards of grants in 72 countries and \$228,000 was spent on administrative costs.

FY 2008 Actual Distribution (\$ in thousands)

<u>Bureau</u>	
Western Hemisphere Affairs	\$957
European and Eurasian Affairs	429
East Asian and Pacific Bureau	1,420
Near Eastern Affairs	208
South and Central Asian Affairs	1,229
African Affairs	489
Educational and Cultural Affairs	<u>228</u>
Total	\$4,960

In FY 2010 the Fund will continue to support the preservation of sites, objects and forms of traditional cultural expression.

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FY 2010 Request Resource Summary

	Positions				Funds (\$ in thousands)		
	American		FSN	Pos Total	Bureau Managed	American Salaries	Funds Total
	Domestic	Overseas					
FY 2008 Actual	0	0	0	0	4,960	0	4,960
FY 2009 Estimate	0	0	0	0	5,500	0	5,500
FY 2010 Current Services	0	0	0	0	5,500	0	5,500
FY 2010 Program Changes							
Adjustment to reflect current FY 2010 allocation	0	0	0	0	(3,500)	0	(3,500)
Total Program Changes	0	0	0	0	(3,500)	0	(3,500)
FY 2010 Request	0	0	0	0	2,000	0	2,000

Funds by Program Activity (\$ in thousands)

Ambassador's Fund for Cultural Preservation	FY 2008 Actual	FY 2009 Estimate	FY 2010 Request	Increase / Decrease
Conduct of Diplomatic Relations	4,960	5,500	2,000	(5,500)
Total	4,960	5,500	2,000	(5,500)

FY 2010 Request Program Activities

Ambassador's Fund for Cultural Preservation	Positions				Funds (\$ in thousands)		
	American		FSN	Pos Total	Bureau Managed	American Salaries	Funds Total
	Domestic	Overseas					
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Funds by Object Class (\$ in thousands)

Ambassador's Fund for Cultural Preservation	FY 2008 Actual	FY 2009 Estimate	FY 2010 Request	Increase / Decrease
2500 Other Services	228	230	130	(100)
4100 Grants, Subsidies & Contrb	4,732	5,270	1,870	(3,400)
Total	4,960	5,500	2,000	(3,500)